The regular meeting of the Beverly Town Council was held Monday, December 11, 2023, at 6:30 pm in council chambers of Beverly Town Hall. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and the prayer was given by Mayor Burns.

Mayor Andy Burns called the meeting to order in the presence of council members Connie Pingley, Matt Lewis, Katie Whittaker, Kenny Pritt, Recorder Sheila Scott Strahin and Clerk Robin Wilson. Robbie Moyer was absent.

MINUTES

Motion made by Kenny Pritt to approve November 13, 2023 minutes without reading aloud. Seconded by Matt Lewis. Motion carried.

VISITORS/PUBLIC HEARING

OLD BUSINESS

1. On December 18, 2023 the new phone system should be in use. The town is still waiting on Zack Elbon for quotes on a new sign for the Municipal Building.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Jamie Lovejoy had spoken to the Town Clerk and Andy Burns concerning a Neighborhood Watch but did not attend the meeting to discuss it further.
- 2. The 2024 Holiday calendar was provided and discussed. Matt Lewis suggested instead of ½ days for the Forest Festival and Christmas Eve, to give full days as holidays. May 14 and November 5 are election days and are added to the calendar. Katie Whittaker made the motion to except these dates and Connie Pingley 2nd the motion. Motion carried.
- 3. State Mileage Reimbursement. Matt Lewis made the motion the except the WV State mileage rate as of January 2024. Kenny Pritt 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

POLICE REPORT

Chief of Police Vanscoy spoke on new police officer, Preston Marsh who will begin on December 12, 2023 with training, which varies over 90 days.

FINANCIAL REVIEWS

Connie Pingley made the motion to except and pay all the bills. Katie Whittaker 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

UPDATES & INFORMATION

Brad Reed has hired a new attorney to fight the lean on his property. This is a 3-year-old judgement.

The Christmas dinner is December 22, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Beverly Fire Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

Matt Lewis made a motion to adjourn. Connie Pingley seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Andy Burns, Mayor

Sheila Scott Strahin, Recorder